

Claims:

1. A packaging tray (1) made from a plastics film and having an insert (2) which is capable of absorbing liquid, characterised in that the insert (2) is welded into the packaging tray (1).
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2. A packaging tray according to claim 1, characterised in that the plastics film comprises a heat-sealing layer (3).
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3. A packaging tray according to claim 2, characterised in that the insert (2) is welded with the heat-sealing layer (3) to the packaging tray (1), preferably in peelable manner.
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4. A packaging tray according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the insert comprises a plastics strip with which it may be welded to the packaging tray.
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5. A packaging tray according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that it is closed by a lidding film (4), which is heat-sealed to the heat-sealing layer (3).
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6. A packaging machine for packaging products to be packaged, characterised in that it comprises a work station (5) in which an insert (2) is placed in a packaging tray (1) and welded to the packaging tray.
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7. A packaging machine according to claim 6,
characterised in that the work station comprises a
punch (6), with which the insert (2) may be pressed
into the packaging tray and which comprises a heating
means (7) for heating the packaging tray and/or the
insert.
8. A packaging tray according to claim 7, characterised
in that it comprises a counterpart (8) for the punch.
9. A packaging tray according to claim 8, characterised
in that the heating means is arranged in the area of
the punch (6) and/or in the area of the
counterpart (8).
10. A packaging tray according to either one of claims 8
or 9, characterised in that the counterpart (8) is
vertically displaceable.
11. A packaging tray according to any one of claims 7 - 9,
characterised in that the punch (6) is vertically
displaceable.
12. A method of joining an insert (2) to a packaging tray
(1), characterised in that the insert is placed in the
packaging tray and welded thereto.
13. A method according to claim 12, characterised in that
the insert is heated for welding on and is pressed
onto the packaging tray.

14. A method according to either one of claims 12 or 13, characterised in that the insert is only spot-welded on.
- 5 15. A method according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the insert is heat-sealed to the packaging tray in peelable manner.